

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (original): A door system comprising:
a front door and a rear door that are configured to shut together a continuous opening in a vehicle body;
a striker configured to be inserted in both the front door and the rear door so as to couple the front door and the rear door when the continuous opening is shut by the front door and the rear door, wherein
when at least one of the front door and the rear door is opened, the striker is drawn out from one of the front door and the rear door so as to cancel the coupling between the front door and the rear door.
2. (original): The door system according to claim 1, wherein one of the front door and the rear door comprises the striker, and the other one of the front door and the rear door comprises a catcher configured to receive the striker.
3. (original): The door system according to claim 1, wherein the rear door comprises:
an upper latch mechanism located at an upper front position of the rear door; and
a lower latch mechanism located at a lower front position, wherein the upper and lower latch mechanisms are configured to hold the rear door closed.
4. (original): The door system according to claim 1, wherein the rear door further comprises a child lever located at a front end surface of the rear door and configured to disable opening of the rear door from an inside of the vehicle.
5. (original): A door system for opening and shutting a continuous opening of a vehicle, the door system comprising:
a front door
having a first surface, and

configured to open and shut a front portion of the continuous opening;
a rear door
having a second surface corresponding to the first surface, and
configured to open and shut a rear portion of the continuous opening
independently of the front door, the rear portion complementing the continuous opening with the
front portion; and
a striker
provided at one of the front door and the rear door, and
configured to be inserted in the other one of the front door and the rear door when
the continuous opening is completely closed as the front and rear portions are shut by the front
and rear doors respectively, wherein
the first surface and the second surface approach and oppose each other so as to be
substantially parallel to each other, when the continuous opening is completely closed.

6. (original): The door system according to claim 5, wherein the rear door comprises a
latch mechanism configured to hold the rear door closed.

7. (original): The door system according to claim 5, wherein the second surface of the
rear door comprises a child lever configured to disable opening of the rear door from an inside of
the vehicle.

8. (new): The door system according to claim 1 wherein the striker is moveable.

9. (new): The door system according to claim 8 wherein the striker is biased in a first
direction and is moveable by an actuator in a second direction.

10. (new): The door system according to claim 5 wherein the striker is moveable.

11. (new): The door system according to claim 8 wherein the striker is biased in a first
direction and is moveable by an actuator in a second direction.